Hospitalizations for Workrelated Injuries

Massachusetts 2002

Nature of Injury by Body Region

				Gender		Gender	
				Female	Male	Female	Male
Nature of Injury	Body Region	Number of Injuries	Injuries per 100,000 FTEs		Number of Injuries		Injuries per 100,000 FTEs
ALL INJURIES		1342	44.44	232	1110	17.98	63.79
FRACTURES		756	25.03	161	595	12.48	34.20
	Head & Neck	51	1.69	8	43	0.62	2.47
	Torso	116	3.84	9	107	0.70	6.15
	Extremities	589	19.50	144	445	11.16	25.57
DISLOCATION		28	0.93	8	20	0.62	1.15
	Torso	10	0.33	4	6		0.34
	Extremities	18	0.60	4	14	0.31	0.80
SPRAINS & STRAINS		129	4.27	27	102	2.09	5.86
	Torso	19	0.63	5	14	0.39	0.80
	Extremities	110	3.64	22	88	1.71	5.06
INTERNAL ORGAN		91	3.01	9	82	0.70	4.71
	Head & Neck	45	1.49	6		0.47	2.24
	Torso	46	1.52	(a)	43	(a)	2.47
OPEN WOUNDS		99	3.28	10	89	0.78	5.11
	Head & Neck	29	0.96	(a)	28	(a)	1.61
	Torso	9	0.30	(a)	9	(a)	0.52
	Extremities	61	2.02	9	52	0.70	2.99
AMPUTATIONS		42	1.39	(a)	39	(a)	2.24
	Extremities	42	1.39	(a)	39	(a)	2.24
SUPERFICIAL/CONTUSIONS		29	0.96	6	23	0.47	1.32
	Head & Neck	4	0.13	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
	Torso	16	0.53	4	12	0.31	0.69
	Extremities	9	0.30	(a)	8	(a)	0.46
CRUSHING		19	0.63	(a)	19	(a)	1.09
	Extremities	19	0.63	(a)	19	(a)	1.09
BURNS		75	2.48	4	71	0.31	4.08
	Head & Neck	8	0.26	(a)	8	(a)	0.46
	Torso	12	0.40	(a)	10	(a)	0.57
	Extremities	54	1.79	(a)	52	(a)	2.99
OTHER & UNSPECIFIED (b)		74	2.45	4	70	0.31	4.02
	Head & Neck	12	0.40	(a)	10	(a)	0.57
	Torso	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)
	Extremities	20	0.66	(a)	18	(a)	1.03

Source: Hospital Discharge Data, for 1 January 2002 through 31 December 2002, Massachusetts Department of Health Care Finance and Policy

Attribution of work-relatedness based on designation of Workers' Compensation Insurance as expected payer.

Injuries per 100,000 FTE calculated as number of injuries / FTEs*100,000. FTEs= total hours per year/2000.

Total hours worked for Massachusetts residents obtained from Current Population Survey(CPS), US Census Bureau, for January 2002 through December 2002 Nature of Injury and Body Region groupings are based on Barell Injury Matrix, Barell, et al, Inj Prev. 2002 Jun;8(2):91-6.

⁽a) Counts not shown and rates not calculated for cells with less than four cases. Rates based on counts less than 20 may be unstable

⁽b) Other and unspecified includes blood vessel injuries, nerve injuries, systemwide and late effects and nature of injury unspecified or missing.

A hospitalization for an injury is defined as a any case having an ICD-9-CM Nature of Injury Code of 800-999 in the primary diagnosis field.